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FOLLOWING STATE 210965 ACTION TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN
24 SEP 74 REPEATED TO YOU:

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SUBJECT: GUIDANCE FOR MEETING WITH AMUZEGAR

REFERENCE: TEHRAN 8061

1. IN MEETING WITH AMUZEGAR SOBER SHOULD TAKE LINE THAT
SPEECHES BY PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES.

2. SPEECHES WERE DESIGNED TO EMPHASIZE DEEP CONCERN IN U.S.
FOR THE ECONOMIC AND POTENTIAL POLITICAL CONSEQUENCES OF
CURRENT ENERGY PRICES AND TO UNDERLINE THE INTERLOCKING RES-
PONSIBILITIES OF OIL CONSUMERS AND PRODUCERS FOR THE
MAINTENANCE OF A STABLE WORLD ECONOMY ON WHICH THE WELL-
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BEING OF EACH DEPENDS. EFFORTS WHICH THE U.S. HAS BEEN MA-

KING TO DEVELOP COOPERATION AMONG CONSUMERS TO PROMOTE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOP MEANS TO DEAL WITH IMPACT OF MASSIVE INVESTMENTS FROM OIL PRODUCERS HAVE BEEN INTENDED TO FACILITATE THE COOPERATION BETWEEN CONSUMERS AND PRODUCERS THAT IS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN A STABLE WORLD ECONOMY AND PREVENT THE DEVELOPMENT OF A DESTRUCTIVE CONFRONTATION BETWEEN THEM. WE RECOGNIZE THAT PRODUCERS SHOULD HAVE A FAIR SHARE, BUT THE FACT REMAINS THAT THE CURRENT PRICES THREATEN THE WELL-BEING OF ALL NATIONS INCLUDING THE PRODUCERS. THE SECURITY OF THEIR MARKETS AND OF THEIR INVESTMENTS ULTIMATELY DEPENDS ON THE VITALITY OF THE WORLD ECONOMY. THE U.S. WILL CONTINUE TO WORK FOR A REASONABLE LEVEL OF OIL PRICES AND A SECURE OIL SUPPLY RESPONSIVE TO THE CLOSELY INTER-

TWINED NEEDS OF THE CONSUMERS AND PRODUCERS. WE BELIEVE WE WOULD BE NEGLECTING OUR RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE WORLD IF WE DID NOT SPEAK FRANKLY OF OUR CONCERNS. INGERSOLL

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